

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Shimkets *et al.*
SERIAL NO.: 10/002,050
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FOR: NOVEL NUCLEIC ACIDS SEQUENCES ENCODING HUMAN SEMAPHORIN-LIKE POLYPEPTIDES

EXAMINER: Larry Ronald Helms

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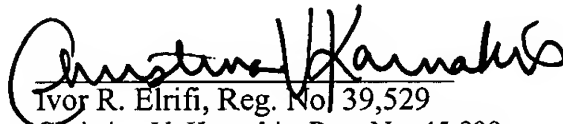
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the May 28, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before July 28, 2003.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 15966-554 CON S-14). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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